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Top Intelligence Officials to Participate In 8th Annual AFIO Convention, Oct. 1 - 2

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A distinguished group of U.S. intelligence experts has been lined up to appear as guest speakers and panelists at AFIO's 8th annual national convention on 1 - 2 October, focussed on the theme "Soviet Penetration of the Americas." Two panels, morning and afternoon, have been arranged for October 1, the first day of the convention. The morning session, dealing with Soviet penetration of North America (U.S. and Canada) will have as panelists Edward J. O'Malley, Assistant Director of the FBI, and Major-General William Odom, currently Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence (ACSI), U.S. Army. Moderator for this panel is Rear-Admiral William C. Mott (USN ret), now vice-president and general counsel for the National Strategic Information Center.

The afternoon discussion, concentrating on Soviet penetration of Latin America, will have as panelists Nestor Sanchez, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Inter-American Affairs and a former chief of the Latin America Division of CIA's clandestine service; Jeremiah O'Leary, veteran Washington diplomatic and foreign correspondent now with the *Washington Times* and recently with the National Security Council; and Kathleen B. Hayden, a DIA analyst in Latin American affairs.

Chairman Bob Brown and his small but exceedingly hard-working committee have made full arrangements for ensuring a smooth-running convention. Much more hall space for all meetings, meals and other activities will be available at prices which compare favorably with those of previous years. The new convention site, the Springfield (Va.) Hilton, has ample free parking space and other facilities which will easily handle all of the attending delegates. The hotel itself, located just south of the Beltway (Route 495), is less than 30 minutes driving time from the District of Columbia, on Route 95.

The convention insert in this issue of *Periscope* describes registration formalities and the tentative schedule. Members desiring to make convention reservations are requested to do so as early as possible in order to ensure hotel reservations and attendance at convention functions.

John Barron to Speak

Guest speaker on Saturday, October 2nd, will be John Barron, senior editor of *Reader's Digest*, award-winning journalist, and author of a definitive book on the KGB.

Tentative speaker for AFIO's banquet on October 2nd which officially closes the convention will be Admiral (USN ret) Bobby Inman, until recently Deputy Director of Central Intelligence and former Director of the National Security Agency.

On the second and final day of the convention, six new Board members will be selected by convention delegates to serve on AFIO's Board of Governors. The names for these vacancies will be offered to the membership by a nominating committee consisting of members from the AFIO Executive Committee, from the floor and write-in candidates.